



District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

- Ontario Works
- Child Care
- Social Housing
- Land Ambulance

Minutes

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, December 17th, 2015 @ 4:30 p.m.

Russ Ramsay Room (Civic Centre)

PRESENT: J. Gawne J. Krmpotich J. Hupponen
M. Bruni D. Edgar K. Lamming
L. Turco S. Myers P. Christian

STAFF: A. Horsman M. Nadeau M. Figliola
D. Petersson G. Grandinetti J. Barban
A. Kohler C. Fairbrother A. Nanne

REGRETS:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 pm by Board Chair J. Gawne.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #15-127

Moved By: J. Hupponen

Seconded By: S. Myers

- 2.1 “Be it resolved that the Agenda for the December 17th, 2015 District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting be approved as presented.”

Housing programs items added to the closed session of the meeting.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES / ACCOUNTS

Resolution #15-128

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 4.1 "Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated November 19th, 2015 be adopted as recorded."

CARRIED

5. CAO / COMMISSIONER / MANAGER REPORTS

FINANCE

Resolution #15-129

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: P. Christian

- 5.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board endorse the following "Interim Levies" to our contributing municipalities and appropriate Provincial Ministries that contribute the TWOMO portion as proposed by the Social Services Financial Manager:
1. That the first Interim Levy equaling 25% of the Year 2015 levy be sent to the contributors with a due date of February 1, 2016.
 2. Since our budget is due March 31, 2016, a second Interim Levy equaling 25% of the Year 2015 levy be sent to the contributors with a due date of April 1, 2016."

CARRIED

Resolution #15-130

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 5.2 "**WHEREAS** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board deems it necessary to borrow the sum of \$4,000,000.00 to meet, until current revenue is collected, current expenditures for the year 2016; and;

WHEREAS the total amount of the estimated revenues of the Board for the year 2016 not including revenue derived or derivable from the sale of assets, borrowing, Provincial subsidy, or from a surplus, including arrears

of revenues and proceeds from the sale of assets is estimated to be in the excess of \$16,000,000.00;

THEREFORE the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board pursuant to Section 9 of the District Social Services Administration Boards Act, RSO 1990, Chapter D.15 and amendments thereto, ENACTS as follows:

1. The Chair and the Treasurer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board, to borrow from time to time by way of promissory note from the Royal Bank of Canada or any person, a sum or sums not exceeding \$4,000,000.00 to meet, until the revenues are collected, the current expenditures of the Board for the year, including the amounts required for the purpose mentioned in Section 9(3) of the District of Social Services Administration Boards Act and to give on behalf of the Board to the Bank or lender, a promissory note or notes, sealed with the corporate seal and duly signed for the moneys so borrowed, with interest, which may be paid in advance or otherwise, with interest at the Bank's prescribed lending rate or another persons' lending rate from time to time.
2. All the sums borrowed pursuant to the authority of this bylaw, as well as all other sums borrowed in this year and in previous years from the said Bank or lender for any or all purposes mentioned in the said Section 9 shall, with interest thereon, be a charge upon the whole of the revenues of the Board for the current year and for all preceding years as when such revenues are received."

CARRIED

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

M. Figliola spoke to the funding request for the 3-month bridging of the trial period for the additional ambulance in service. He noted that the next resolution for submission of a business plan to the Ministry is seeking solution to this matter.

Resolution #15-131

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 5.3 "WHEREAS on June 18th, 2015 the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board approved resolution #15-058 supporting the implementation of one (1) additional ambulance staffed with two (2) part-time paramedics for a trial period of six (6) months to assess the

extent of insufficient ambulance resources; AND that the required funding, of an estimated \$186,500 be drawn from the DSSMSSAB Reserve Fund;

AND WHEREAS the successful six (6) month trial period is due to expire within the next month;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board grant permission for the Sault Ste. Marie Fire Services EMS Division to continue to operate an additional ambulance staffed with two (2) part time paramedics for up to three (3) months while seeking solutions to the current insufficient ambulance resources. The required funding is estimated at a monthly cost of \$31,500 to be drawn from the DSSMSSAB reserve fund.”

CARRIED

M. Figliola noted that this is the final piece of the puzzle in regard to up-staffing needed for EMS. A resolution from the Board supporting this issue would be helpful in the funding request from the MOHLTC. K. Lamming also asked that an endorsement from First Nations groups be included in support of the funding matter.

Concern regarding a contingency plan in the case that our proposal is not accepted was expressed. A proper financial report with options could be provided early in 2016.

Resolution #15-132

Moved By: J. Hupponen

Seconded By: M. Bruni

5.4 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board support the recommendation that a Business Case be submitted to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC) requesting funding for the additional eight (8) paramedics and four (4) Paramedic Supervisors for EMS as identified in the Fire Chief's Business Realignment Plan submitted and passed by City of Sault Ste. Marie Council on October 26, 2015.”

CARRIED

Resolutions for First Nations support will be brought forward at the January meeting.

ONTARIO WORKS

M. Nadeau commented that this is an information report. Board members commented that this unfortunate issue has been going on for a year now. Solutions are slow. It was strongly recommended that Board Members read the auditor general's report.

Resolution #15-133

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 5.5 “BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Auditor General Report on Social Assistance Management System (SAMS) as well as the Issue Report prepared by the Ontario Works Manager regarding this matter as information.”

CARRIED

COMMUNITY CHILD CARE

Resolution #15-134

Moved By: P. Christian

Seconded By: K. Lamming

- 5.6 “BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Issue Report Update regarding the Child Care Funding Model as information.”

CARRIED

Resolution #15-135

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 5.7 “BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Issue Report updating Board Members about Municipal Child Care as information.”

CARRIED

HOUSING PROGRAMS

This conversation was held in the closed session. A release from the Ministry needs to approve this transaction prior to information being made public.

Resolution #15-136

Moved By: J. Hupponen

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 5.8 “BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Issue Report Update prepared by the Housing Programs Manager regarding the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) Year 2 Rental Housing Component and the status of the successful proponent Guardian Real Estate Ventures Limited with the development of the eleven (11) Unit Apartment building.”

CARRIED

6. GOVERNANCE / ADMINISTRATION

M. Nadeau addressed questions regarding the property lease. A small savings will be recognized to the DSSMSSAB.

Resolution #15-137

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 6.1 “Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board enter into a five (5) year lease with the property owner(s) of 180 Brock Street, under the conditions attached in Appendix I as recommended.”

CARRIED

Resolution #15-138

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: P. Christian

- 6.2 “Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board continue to hold their 2016 regular monthly Board Meetings on the third Thursday at 4:30 p.m. as listed below:

- Thursday, January 21, 2016
- Thursday, February 18, 2016
- Thursday, March 17, 2016
- Thursday, April 21, 2016
- Thursday, May 19, 2016
- Thursday, June 16, 2016 (Sault North or Prince Township)
- Thursday, July 21, 2016
- Thursday, August 18, 2016
- Thursday, September 15, 2016
- Thursday, October 20, 2016
- Thursday, November 17, 2016
- Thursday, December 15, 2016”

CARRIED

Resolution #15-139

Moved By: J. Hupponen

Seconded By: K. Lamming

- 6.3 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now enter into closed session to discuss contractual and human resource matters."

CARRIED

Resolution #15-140

Moved By: S. Myers

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 6.4 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now return to open session."

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

An update of the transition consultant RFP process was provided to Board Members.

Notice of motion regarding the CAO Selection Advisory Committee will be voted on in January

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #15-141

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: S. Myers

- 8.1 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn."

CARRIED

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 4:30pm

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.